

Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church

A Roman Catholic Community of African American Tradition

"We've Come This Far By Faith"



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Mission Statement: The Parish of Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's is a Roman Catholic faith community whose worship reflects and celebrates the cultural gifts and diversity of its members. We welcome all believers to worship God, love one another, evangelize the good news of Jesus Christ and serve those in need.

April 30, 2023



The sheep follow Christ because they recognize his voice.

Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, is calling us today. He is present, leading us. Christ does not speak only in miraculous visions or through powerful movements of the heart. God speaks through Scripture and through his disciples. Just as Christ sent Peter to preach, he sends his faithful out to call his sheep today.

Sunday Mass ~ 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days: Consult bulletin or call the office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By Appointment.

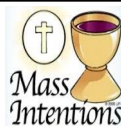
Sacrament of Marriage: Pre-Cana is a Diocesan Requirement. Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance.

Baptism: Please call the office to make arrangements.

Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the office.

Sunday, April 30, 2023

Lena Adams—Bequest



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl & Phyllis Barnes, Fr. Robert Bradler, Fr. Giles Conwill, Tom Degnan, Morris Doucette, Tom Fugate, Denise McGowan, Carolyn Walker, Alice Walters

Bible Readings for Sunday, April 30, 2023

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

1 Peter 2:20b-25

John 10:1-10



Bible Readings for Sunday, May 7, 2023

Acts 6:1-7

1 Peter 2:4-9

John 14:1-12

Offerings for April 23, 2023

Offerings: \$1,502

Attendance: 71

Online Giving: \$170

Online Givers: 3

Thank you for your generous support.

May

Thurs. May 4 Finance Council Meeting—4:00 pm

Sun. May 7 Blood Pressure Screening—following Mass in the Sacristy

Sat. May 13 Pastoral Council Meeting—9:30 am

Sun. May 14 Mother's Day

Sat. May 27 St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

May Christian Action

Appreciate your mother, grandmother, sister, daughter, female colleague, neighbor, etc.



Show them your love in a special way.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 30, 2023

Reader I & II—Norma Thom

Sunday, May 7, 2023

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

Sunday, May 14, 2023

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

Sunday, May 21, 2023

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Sunday, May 28, 2023

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

Sunday, June 4, 2023

Reader I & II—Keith Parris

Sunday, June 11, 2023

Reader I & II—André Fontenette

Sunday, June 18, 2023

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Sunday, June 25, 2023

Reader I & II—Norma Thom



MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions can be scheduled for 2023. Please call or stop by the office to schedule Mass Intentions. The offering is \$10.



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Any concerns related to financial fraud can be reported anonymously:

Financial Fraud Hotline
1-800-388-7177 x1266

Reports may also be made in writing to:
Internal Audit Department • Diocese of Rochester
1150 Buffalo Road • Rochester, NY 14624

I Am With You Always
Matthew 28:20

Parish Goal ~ \$9,000

We have exceeded our Catholic Ministries Appeal goal (\$12,560). Thank you to all who made their pledge and for supporting our mission.

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

We know the voice of our shepherd. We know he speaks language of love, of patience, of long-suffering sacrifice. The voice of the thief will offer us freedom, but it is a freedom that ends in destruction. There is only one gate that leads to everlasting life.

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Strengthening the Church at Home

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

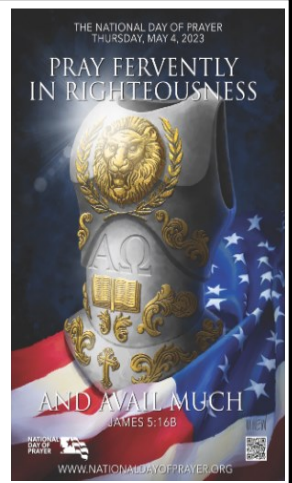
Did you know, according to the Catholic Church, the proper disposition of religious articles (**items that have been blessed**) is to burn and bury or to simply bury them? This is often impractical for people to do, so we are offering a solution. During normal business hours, from May 1—May 6, weekdays: 9am-4:30pm; Saturday, 9am—Noon, we will welcome people from the community to come and drop off their religious articles.

Please keep in mind the following stipulations:

- Each item cannot exceed 2 feet for length, width and height.
- We are asking that people bring in blessed items only.
- Do not bring in cremated remains of a loved one or pet.
- Once the items have been brought in for proper disposal they cannot be retrieved.

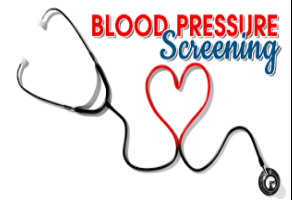
Please bring items to Holy Sepulchre, 2461 Lake Avenue, Rochester, NY 14612.

You are cordially invited to attend the Opening Ceremony for the National Day of Prayer at City Hall, located at [30 Church St. Rochester, NY 14614](https://www.google.com/maps/place/30+Church+St,+Rochester,+NY+14614), on Thursday, May 4, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. Then, at 11:45 AM, we will form a Human Prayer Chain around City Hall and the Monroe County Office Building. After the blowing of the shofars and the ringing of church bells at noon, clergy will initiate the simultaneous prayer. Please join us for much needed prayer for our City, State, Nation and beyond!



Coffee Hour will be held on the second Sunday of each month. Please consider hosting a coffee hour for a special event or for a loved one. Sign up sheets are available in the gathering space. **Please no home baked goods, only purchased items.** For more information or questions please see Isabelle Walters or Ruth Miller. Thank you

Blood Pressure Screening will be offered next Sunday, May 7th in the sacristy. Please have your blood pressure taken before leaving church.



All volunteers who encounter youth and vulnerable adults need to complete online Creating a Safe Environment training, background check and sign a Code of Conduct every three years. To complete the online course, go to dor.org online training or email tracy.jordan@dor.org.

SUMMER EVENTS

Corn Hill Arts Festival
Saturday, July 8 & Sunday, July 9

Clarissa Street Reunion
Saturday, August 19, 2023

10:00 am—8:00 pm

<p>St. Joseph's House of Hospitality</p> <p>A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262</p>	<p align="center">BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626</p> <p>Please visit our many stores, including City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Sign Impressions, Greece Chiropractic, Heart & Home Health Twist- ed Dolls Hair Braiding Salon and Orville's Appliances.</p>	
<p>Corn Hill Neighborhood Association 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornhill.org</p>	<p>Mileage Master Center of Rochester 2488 Browncroft Blvd. Rochester, NY 14625 585-586-1870</p> <p><i>The perfect place for all of your grilling needs</i></p>	<p>Tom Zubert, Realtor RE/MAX REALTY GROUP 585-721-1313 zubert.tom@gmail.com (ICS Graduate)</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE <i>Alphonse White</i></p>	<p>Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896</p>
<p>For all Deceased Families, Friends & Parishioners of Immaculate Conception /St. Bridget's Church <i>Rose Stokes</i></p>	<p>Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY <i>Blessings Bill & Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of JOE HAUSER <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of DR. NATHANIEL HURST <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of DAVID MILES <i>Love your Wife & Children</i></p>	<p>In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN & CORRAL FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES <i>The Stokes Family</i></p>	<p>CPR and First Aid Classes For lay and Professional Responders EPIC TRAININGS (585) 615-4379</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of My Beloved Mother Linda Nash <i>Lynn Fulmore</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE <i>The Castle Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>	<p align="center">Space Available</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of CREÓLE MON'AE FONTENETTE <i>Love your Grandparents</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of JOSEPH RONALD WEBER <i>Roxana C. Weber</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of SARAH & DONALD GORDON & HENRY BELL SR. <i>The Gordon/Bell Families</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY <i>Joanne Gordon</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of TALLAM NGUTI <i>Love your Wife & Children</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of MICHAEL NWOKELO SR. <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY <i>James & Melissa McGee</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of RAPHAEL NGUTI <i>Love Mom, Michael, Camille</i></p>	<p>MATH TUTORING MATH COACHING 585-247-4941</p>